

THOMPSON ACQUITTED FOR SHOOTING CONDRA

Condras Did Not Prosecute the
Deputy Sheriff.

Sam Thompson, special deputy sheriff, who shot and seriously wounded Asa Condra during the celebration of July 4 at Whitwell, was acquitted by Esquire Brewer after hearing evidence introduced in Thompson's behalf at the trial at Jasper yesterday afternoon. Thompson was prosecuted by Sheriff Kelly in behalf of the state. Neither J. E. Condra, father of the injured boy, nor other members of the Condra family appeared against Thompson. Following the shooting, Thompson came to Chattanooga and surrendered. It was reported at the time that hot-headed friends of the injured man had threatened to "get him," but the excitement abated and it is not thought that any demonstration will be made against Thompson at Whitwell or elsewhere. Evidence introduced at the trial tended to show that Thompson had acted in self-defense. Condra continues in a critical condition, but was reported resting well last evening.—Times.

Pryor Ridge.

Special to the News.
Every body seems to be enjoying life. Ethel and Myrtle Nolan passed thru here Sunday with their best fellows. Sunday school is progressing nicely. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Layne were visiting in Oak Grove Sunday.
If you want to see a certain girl smile, ask her who she saw Sunday.
Will Thompson looked sweet Sunday. Beulah Henly was all smiles Sunday. Wonder why.
Mrs. Mose Morgan and Mrs. Henry Haynes passed thru here Sunday afternoon.
Brother Wire filled his regular appointment Sunday at 3 o'clock.
Mrs. Frank Dugan called on Mrs. W. M. Stump Sunday.
Simon Nunley called on Lizzie Henly Sunday afternoon.
Mr. and Mrs. Will Ryers spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Mark Layne.
Mr. and Mrs. Luther Nunley, of Tracy City called on relatives here last week.
Frank Shrum attended meeting Sunday afternoon.
Everette Byers, of White City, called on his best girl Sunday.
Wonder what has become of Cora and Vera Bowlin as they have not been at Sunday school for several Sundays.
Come on all you writers, for I sure do enjoy reading your pieces.
Tom Crisp passed thru our burg Sunday afternoon.
Jay Harris looked cute Sunday.
Misses Corine Pocus and Emily Stize were visiting in White City last week.
Jessie and Claudie Nunley were all smiles Sunday.
Lola Cousey has started back to Sunday school. We sure are glad to see her.
Joe Weaver was seen going down the road Sunday.
A certain girl sure did look cute Thursday.
Clarence Stone and Arch Byers, of White City, passed thru here Sunday.
Mrs. Will Dent and little son, Earl, spent part of last week with her mother, Mrs. James Nunley.
Clarence Johnson and Leonard Levan, of White City, were with their best girls Sunday afternoon.
George Morgan is on the sick list this week. Hope he will soon recover.
Sweet William.

HIS BACKACHE GONE

Just how dangerous a backache, sore muscles, aching joints, or rheumatic pains may be is sometimes realized only when life insurance is refused on account of kidney trouble. Joseph G. Wolf, of Green Bay, Wis., writes: "Foley Kidney Pills relieved me of a severe backache that had bothered me for several months." Take Foley Kidney Pills for weak lame back and weary sleepless nights. Sold by J. W. Simpson & Son, Jasper, Tenn.

CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION

Text of Enabling Act as Passed By Legislature.

A BILL to be entitled: An Act to authorize the people to decide by vote whether they will call a Constitutional Convention, and to provide for the submission of said question to the voters of the State and the announcement of the result.

WHEREAS, Under our Constitution the right of the people to alter, reform or abolish the same is fully recognized; and

WHEREAS, In the opinion of the General Assembly, the public exigencies do now demand the exercise of the power to alter or reform the Constitution on the part of the people of the State; and

WHEREAS, By Article XI, Section 3, of the present Constitution, power is given to the Legislature to submit to the people the question whether a Constitutional Convention shall be called; therefore,

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That all the legal voters under existing laws of this State are hereby authorized to assemble on the first Thursday in August, 1916, at the several places of holding elections, in the various counties of this State, and vote for or against calling a convention to alter or reform the Constitution by submitting amendments to the present Constitution, to be voted on separately by the people.

SEC. 2. Be it further enacted, That in submitting the question of a convention to the people, tickets shall be prepared by the proper authorities under the laws in force at the time of holding said election, or by the electors in various counties of this State, with the words written or printed "For a Convention," "Against a Convention," and if the number of votes cast for a convention be greater than the votes cast against a convention, then there will be a convention. Propose amendments to the constitution. Registration books shall be opened and voters will be allowed to register in all respects as at that time provided by law, and the qualifications necessary to entitle a citizen to vote upon the questions submitted shall, in all respects, be the same as then required by law in order to vote for members of the General Assembly.

SEC. 3. Be it further enacted, That in all cases where any Commissioners of election, or other proper officer under the law, fail or refuse to hold said election, it shall be lawful for any three freeholders, being legal voters, to hold said election by summoning as many bystanders, being legal voters, as may be necessary to hold said election.

SEC. 4. Be it further enacted, That it is hereby declared to be the duty of the Governor to issue his proclamation to the several Commissioners of election, or to other proper officers under the law, in the State and counties thereof, immediately after the passage of this act, requiring them to hold and conduct said election as herein provided.

And said Commissioners of election or other proper officers under the law, in the various counties of the State, shall advertise the time and places of holding said election, as in case of special elections for members of the General Assembly.

SEC. 5. Be it further enacted, That it shall be the duty of the Commissioners of election, or other proper officer under the law, of each county of the State, immediately after said election, to make a complete return to the Secretary of this State, of the votes cast "For a Convention" and "Against a Convention" in their county.

SEC. 6. Be it further enacted, That it shall be the duty of the Governor, Secretary of State and Attorney General of this State, to compare the returns made by the Commissioners of election, or other proper officers under the law, and if a majority of those voting be in favor of a Convention, or against a convention, it shall be the duty of the Governor to immediately issue his proclamation announcing the result.

WANT DAMAGE REPAIRED NOW

Dixie Highway Mud Should Be Removed or Rock Dumped In It.

People who travel the Pike at Jasper are still dissatisfied with a considerable portion of it, and in stern tones demand repair. Cars are getting stuck in the mud daily, as the stuff put on was not gravel but clay. This stuff has refused all efforts to roll it down or back under the weight of travel. Cars—including the auto trucks of the contractors who put that stuff on the road—now avoid it by taking a route via the alleys and back streets. Cobble stones from the Pryor Cove Creek should be hauled to this mud stretch, dumped on it, and pounded down into it with stone hammers in the hands of the county prisoners. If this cannot be done, let the stuff be loaded onto wagons and carted away, and gravel, not clay put on instead. The people want something done at once by somebody.

CHILD KILLED IN FALL FROM SLEEPING PORCH

Lucile Ferguson, Aged Six, Dead, and Smaller Sister Injured.

SOUTH PITTSBURG, Tenn., July 16.—Lucile Ferguson, aged 6 years, is dead, and her sister, Mary, aged 3, is slightly injured as a result of a fall from the sleeping porch on the second floor of their home here Saturday evening about 5. Both are the children of Dr. J. P. Ferguson, of South Pittsburg.

The little girls were playing on the sleeping porch when the railing gave way, letting them fall twenty feet to the ground. The elder child struck the back of her head on the concrete steps at the entrance of the basement, crushing her skull. She died at 10 Saturday night. Mary is only slightly bruised, and the supposition is that she fell on top of her sister, which protected her from further injury.

Stanley.

Special to the News.
Visiting between showers is the habit in this section.
Mrs. Addie Richie and daughter, Nora, of Kelly's Ferry, are visiting relatives in this section a few days this week.

Will Martin, of the mountain, was down on the river Sunday, trying to get a mess of fish, but didn't get any, so he had to be content with fried chicken for dinner.

A. J. Richie, of North Chattanooga, visited his parents here a few days last week.

James Durham called at the post-office Sunday morning.

People in this section have a good market for all their produce at the prison camps in Suck Creek.

Eddy Layne visited her mother, Mrs. M. L. Richie Sunday.

Arley Richie went up into Hamilton county Sunday, picture making.

T. H. Richie visited the prison camps Saturday morning.

Mrs. Katherine Durham died Sunday, aged 74 years. She leaves a husband and two daughters, and a great many relatives, who will miss her very much. We sympathize with the bereaved relatives. Bon Bon.

To Play Whitwell Second Team.
The second team of Whitwell will play the locals here Saturday afternoon. A hot game is expected, as the Whitwell boys are some ball tossers. Roy Jordan is manager.

W. A. Chadwick, of Red Hill, was here Tuesday night.

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SOME POINTS FOR RAILROAD CONTENTIONS

In the May issue of Chamberlain's Magazine, W. L. Park, vice-president of the Illinois Central railroad brings out some significant points on the eight-hour "basis" work day for which the brotherhoods of railway trainmen are contending. In presenting the railroad side of the matter Mr. Park says, among other things: "An eight-hour day has been established in some departments of railroad work where the work is of such character that it can be stopped at a definite time, but train service cannot be operated in eight-hour shifts. The length of a day's work is dependent upon a great many conditions not at all affected by the rates of pay, such as the distance between terminals, the grades of the road, the character and tonnage of the load, and even by weather conditions."

In answering the contentions of the trainmen that they are held at sidings and other points for hours, Mr. Park says that even though they do spend time on sidings, that they are being paid for such time just as though they were performing actual work.

Another point he brings out is that the men choose their own runs in most cases in the order of seniority, and a great many of the men deliberately select the longer runs, preferring to work 12, 14, and 15 hours on the days they work, and to have two or three days a week off to working 10 hours a day.

In answering the point advanced by the brotherhoods that train tonnage has been increased, Mr. Park says that increasing the number tons of freight to a train has been the principal means by which railroads have been able to withstand as well as they have the large increases in wages, accompanied by reductions in their rates for freight and passenger service which they have had to meet in recent years. To make possible this more economical method of operation, the railroads have had to spend millions for larger and more powerful locomotives, for reducing grades, and for other improvements, which have also lightened the work of our employees.

Mr. Park also makes the point that the public has benefited by this increased efficiency and that while the rate of return on railroad investments has been reduced, the average pay of the train employee within the past ten years has been increased 38.9 per cent.

In reply to a suggestion from one of the brotherhood men that the railroads should economize by reducing salaries "from the top," Mr. Park says that if the entire salary of every officer of all the railroads in the United States, from the presidents down, were eliminated it would only amount to \$44,000,000, and that would less than half the amount the brotherhoods are asking the railroads to pay for increased wages by their demands for an eight-hour day and time and a half for overtime.

Smithsonia, Ala.

Special to the News.
The river is falling slowly now, leaving the banks and the overflowed river bottoms.

Tom Wilson, Sr., went to Florence Saturday to see Tom Wilson, Jr., and his mother.

Mr. Quigley and Wilfred J. Scofield went to Sheffield in "Tipperary" Sunday afternoon, returning Monday morning.

John Danini is the "new fireman" at the ice plant during Mr. Kinney's absence.

W. H. Cahill was called home last week by the serious illness of his wife. She died the next morning and was buried Sunday. Mr. Cahill has the sympathy of the entire fleet. Mrs. Cahill left four small children.

Lee Mobley, Herbert Darby and Henry Mitchell were strolling out in the suburbs of Smithsonia Sunday afternoon, and of course, their paths led towards Pinedale and Magnolia Grove.

Henry Mitchell seems to have forgotten that he ever had a girl in Sheffield. How about it, Henry.

Colbert Douglass was flying "high Sunday afternoon.

One Among Them.

HER LEFT SIDE HURT
Mrs. Laura Beall, Plattsburg, Miss., writes: "Last April I got in bad health; my left side hurt all the time. I have symptoms of Bright's disease. I took Foley Kidney Pills and feel all right now." They quickly relieve backache, rheumatism, aches and pains. Bladder troubles, too, are corrected by this remedy. For sale by J. W. Simpson & Son, Jasper, Tenn.

Resolutions Floetrial Executive Committee

WHEREAS, Heretofore on the 27th day of June, 1916, the Democratic Executive Committee for the Floetrial District composed of the counties of Franklin and Marion, following the wishes and desires of the democrats of the said Floetrial District, adopted a resolution providing that the democratic candidate for Representative for the said Floetrial District in the Tennessee Legislature of 1917 should come from Marion County and further providing that a primary should be held in Marion County to determine the choice of the democrats of Marion County as to who should be such candidate. And:

WHEREAS, The said resolution, so further provided that all democrats desiring to become a candidate for the said nomination should file with the Secretary of the said Democratic Executive Committee for the said Floetrial District, on or before the meeting of the said Committee on July 15th, 1916, a declaration in writing of his intention to become a candidate for the said nomination in the said primary and providing further that, if only one person should thus qualify as a candidate for the said nomination in the said primary, in that event the one person so qualifying should be declared the nominee of the democratic party for the said office and the said primary not be held, it, in that event, being a useless expense. And:

WHEREAS, The Honorable Walter M. Cameron, of South Pittsburg, Tenn., did, prior to July 15th, 1916, file with the Secretary of the said Democratic Executive Committee a written declaration of his intention to become a candidate for the said nomination in the said primary and to abide the result of the same, and no other person having prior to that date or within the time or in the manner provided by the Committee, or at any other time or manner, expressed or announced his candidacy for the said nomination; there being, therefore, only one candidate for the said nomination, Hon. Walter M. Cameron:

THEREFORE, We, the Democratic Executive Committee for the Floetrial District, composed of the counties of Franklin and Marion, in view of the premises, do hereby withdraw the call for a primary and the Honorable Walter M. Cameron, of South Pittsburg, Tenn., being the only candidate for the democratic nomination for Representative of the said District in the Tennessee Legislature of 1917, he is hereby declared to be the nominee and candidate of the Democratic Party for the office of Floetrial to represent the Floetrial District, composed of the counties of Franklin and Marion in the General Assembly of Tennessee for 1917 to be voted for in the election to be held in the said District in November, 1916, for the purpose of electing the said representative.

MAT GRIFFITH, Chairman.
H. A. WALKER, Secretary.
ALAN S. KELLY, Executive Committee.

South Pittsburg Home Burns.

SOUTH PITTSBURG, Tenn., July 16.—The residence of Charles Tatum, superintendent of the Hudson Lumber company, was totally destroyed by fire Saturday night about 9. The family was away from home when the flames were discovered. The fire apparently caught on the interior of the building, and by the time the fire department arrived the roof was falling in. The loss is estimated at between \$3,000 and \$4,000.

Napoleon said an army moved on its stomach. Sort of army worm.

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